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Re.

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For: Recombinant Methods for Making Reverse Transcriptases and

**Mutants Thereof** 

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 with attachments;
- 4. PTO Credit Card Request Form in the amount of \$110.00 for the one month Extension of Time fee; and
- 5. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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